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SUBJECT: BRITISH STATEMENT ON CYPRUS

1. FCO MINISTER OF STATE HATTERSLEY MADE FOLLOWING STATEMENT TO HOUSE OF COMMONS MORNING FEBRUARY 14. IT IS NOTEWORTHY MAINLY BECAUSE IT GOES BEYOND PREVIOUS HMG REACTIONS IN "DEPLORING" TURKISH ACTION.

2. THE STATEMENT WAS: "WE UNDERSTAND THAT AT NOON ON 13 FEBRUARY MR. DENKTASH, THE VICE PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF CYPRUS AND THE LEADER OF THE TURKISH CYPRIOT COMMUNITY, PROCLAIMED WHAT HE CALLED A FEDERATED TURKISH STATE OF THE REPUBLIC OF CYPRUS WITH HIMSELF AS HEAD OF STATE, A STATEMENT WHICH HMG DEPLORE. HE HAS MADE NO COMMUNICATION TO US. THE PRESS REPORTS THAT MR. DENKTASH HAS SAID THAT THIS IS NOT A UNILATERAL DECLARATION OF INDEPENDENCE ON THE PART OF THE TURKISH CYPRIOTS, ADDING THAT HE DOES NOT SEEK INTERNATIONAL RECOGNITION. A DECLARATION BY MR. DENKTASH DOES NOT ITSELF ALTER OUR LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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ATTITUDE TO THE LEGITIMATE GOVERNMENT OF CYPRUS NOR OUR

OBLIGATION UNDER THE 1960 TREATIES."

3. HATTERSLEY THEN RESPONDED TO QUESTIONS FOR ABOUT 20 MINUTES. WE UNDERSTAND HE SLIPPED IN OTHERWISE STRONG PRESENTATION BY SAYING DENKTASH HAS GIVEN AMPLE INDICATION HE STILL WANTS "UNITARY" STATE (MEANING TO SAY SOMETHING SUCH AS "INTEGRAL").

4. HATTERSLEY IS SEEING GREEK AND TURKISH AMBASSADORS TODAY.

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